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First Named Inventor	Joachim Wagenblast
Art Unit	1772
Examiner Name	P. L. Nordmeyer
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JOACHIM WAGENBLAST ET AL	)	GROUP NO.: 1772
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FILED: JANUARY 14, 2002	)	EXAMINER: P. L. NORDMEYER
TITLE: COMPOSITE STRUCTURAL	)	
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 3, 2003, and the Advisory Action dated November 21, 2003 from the Examiner in charge of the subject application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted for consideration. This amendment is being filed as a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c), and is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in the present case under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 along with the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

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